BRASS BIZ

During this part of the year, the Ceremonial Brass is busy providing support for various retirements, change-of-command and arrival ceremonies, and assorted other events. On April 9, the Ceremonial Brass performed at the White House for the annual Garden Tour. During the month of May, the Brass will participate in the Joint Armed Forces Review Ceremony at Andrews Air Force Base on May 19 at 10 a.m. The Honorable William Cohen, secretary of defense, will host the event that marks the 50th anniversary of Armed Forces Day and kicks off the Department of Defense's Open House held at Andrews Air Force Base from May 19-21. The Thunderbirds, the aerial demonstration team of the United States Air Force, will also be performing. On June 21, the Ceremonial Brass will again support the White House during an arrival ceremony, hosted by President Clinton.

In Chamber Players events, Ceremonial Brass members MSgt Gil Corella and TSgts Jennifer Dayton, Sean Walsh, Andy Lowe and Tara Smith gave a concert at Montgomery College in Rockville, Maryland, on April 4. Joining them were violinist MSgt Alex Dean, guitarist TSgt Matthew Ascione and flutist TSgt Stacy Newbrough.

The USAF Tuba/Euphonium Quartet, featuring Concert Band tubist SMSgt Dave Porter and Ceremonial Brass members MSgts Ann Hinote and Gil Corella, and TSgt Jennifer Dayton, performed at the Anderson House Museum in Washington, D.C. on April 12. They will repeat their program while in attendance at the International Tuba/Euphonium Conference 2000 in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, from May 31-June 4.

We would like to acknowledge the personal achievements of some of our band members. First, congratulations to TSgt Andy Lowe, who will graduate with a master of business administration degree in May from Webster University. Kudos also goes to MSgt Gil

Corella, who has had a very busy performance schedule. On April 8, MSgt Gil Corella performed with United States Army Blues trombonist Harry Watters at Charles County Community College in La Plata, Maryland. On May 5-6, he will conduct the College of Southern Maryland's Wind Symphony and the Friendly Hall Chamber Orchestra at Charles County Community College at 8 p.m. Finally, on May 13 at 8 p.m., Sergeant Corella will conduct the Loudoun Concert Band at Farmwell Station Middle School in Ashburn, Virginia.

We welcome four new members to the Ceremonial Brass. From the Concert Band, MSgts William Adcock and Clarence Mitchell will join the trumpet section in the summer. Also joining the trumpet section is SrA Michael Huff from Langley Air Force Base in Virginia. From Travis Air Force Base in California, SrA Michael Piersol will join the trombone section. Welcome aboard!

-TSgt Tara Smith

High Flight Highlights

Wow, can you believe that we are already halfway through this year? Time really does fly when you are busy. Well with the spring/summer months here we are busily preparing our latest show, which will premiere May 6 at Bolling Air Force Base Officers' Club. We are also preparing for a spring tour to the Tampa Bay area as well as a trip to Branson, Missouri, in June where we will perform at the 50th Anniversary of their Korean War celebration. So of course we are all excited about these upcoming events.

Looking back, we are very happy to announce that work on our second compact disc is now complete. It was a long, tedious project, which proved to be well worth the wait, and you can expect its release sometime in October of this year. Request it through your local library. We also performed at the Air Force Worldwide Public Affairs

Conference in Leesburg, Virginia, which was a resounding success. High Flight performed at numerous farewell dinners honoring Air Force Vice Chief of Staff General Lester E. Lyles, who moved on to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in April to be commander of Air Force Materiel Command. We wish him and his family all the best.

It is almost that time again! With the Summer Concert Series rapidly approaching, we will return to the Capitol Steps, Washington Monument and various other venues in the Washington metropolitan area.

So you can see we are busy as usual (just the way we like it) and we look forward to seeing some of you at our performances. With that, we'll see you soon!

—MSgt Shani Prewitt

From the Support Staff...

The USAF Band's support units are groups of professionals whose behind-the-scenes talent ensures the logistical success of each performance. As a new feature in *Cadenza*, we share with you some important news from these critical shops. The Band's Operations staff is pleased to welcome two new civilians to its team. Mary Joyner, operations administrator, arrived in December after 24 years as a mortgage banker. Band scheduler Charlie Fontana arrived in February with 25 years of civilian federal service, the last 17 spent in Tokyo. The Operations staff was the winner of the 1999 11th Wing "Eagle Award" Team

of the Year for their achievements in planning and executing the historic "Remembering the Glenn Miller AAF Orchestra 1943-45" European tour. The Music Production section welcomes J.P. Jerry who is working full-time in the band library while also attending Strayer University in Washington, D.C., pursuing a degree in Computer Information Systems. This shop also is pleased to announce the birth of Victoria Bliss, daughter of music arranger TSgt John Bliss. Technical Support was the proud recipient of the band "Team of the Quarter" award for its outstanding work in support of the 2000 Guest Artist Series. An-

other award goes to audio engineer TSgt Jebodiah Eaton named band "NCO of the Quarter." Technical Support announces the birth of Anthony Graves, son of audio engineer TSgt David Graves. The Commander's Support Staff is pleased to announce SMSgt Kelly Egan as its new superintendent. Public Affairs couldn't be more proud of CMSgt Daisy Jackson, chief of marketing and media relations/guest artist coordinator, for the distinctive awards that she recently received The Public Affairs Team is proud of its key involvement in one of the most successful Guest Artist Series ever. —MSgt Douglas Jordan

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